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I want to join your friends and co-workers on the occasion of your retirement in wishing you well and hoping that you find the years ahead filled with enjoyment.

I regret that you did not find the personal career satisfactions that you sought when you joined us nearly a decade ago. I asked the Inspector General to look into the situations that you found frustrating, which you described in the memorandum you left with me on 22 August. I have received his report, and I assure you that the practices of which you were critical will receive appropriate attention.

It takes the conscientious efforts of many people to do the important work of the Agency. Although you may be disappointed in failing to realize some of your ambitions, you leave with the knowledge that you have contributed to our success in carrying out our mission.

Sincerely,

Richard Helms
Richard Helms
Director

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